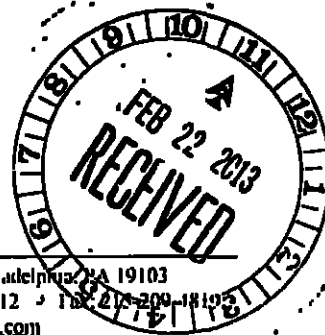


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Vernon A. Williams, Secretary  
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Re: Docket No. AB 167 (Sub-No. 1191X)  
Consolidated Rail Corporation – Abandonment  
Exemption – in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Docket No. AB 55 (Sub-No. 710X)  
CSX Transportation, Inc. – Discontinuance  
Exemption – in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Docket No. AB 290 (Sub-No. 552X)  
Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Discontinuance  
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Dear Mr. Williams:

This letter is to advise that as of February 20, 2013, Consolidated Rail Corporation ("Conrail") has consummated the abandonment over Conrail's line of railroad known as the Berks Street Industrial Track between Milepost 0.00+/- and milepost 2.98+/- in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, a distance of 2.98 miles, pursuant to authority granted in two separate decisions of the Surface Transportation Board ("STB")

The first decision, issued on March 2, 2012, granted abandonment authority for the segment between Milepost 2.80 and 2.98. This decision was made subject to Conrail's satisfaction of an environmental condition concerning the removal of a rail bridge over Allegheny Avenue in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as ordered by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. Please be advised that said condition has been satisfied. Conrail consulted with the City of Philadelphia in connection with the removal of the bridge and also determined through prior consultations with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, Stormwater Section, that the earth disturbance activities involved in the bridge removal project were far below the level that would require an NPDES Construction Permit.

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The second decision, issued on October 26, 2012, affirmed the Decision of the Director of the Office of Proceedings to reject an Offer of Financial Assistance which had been filed by James Riffin, CNJ Rail Corporation and Eric S. Strohmeier in respect to the segment between Milepost 0.00 and 2.80.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR § 1152.29(e)(2), Conrail hereby files its notice of consummation signifying that, effective February 20, 2013, it fully exercised the authority granted in the Board's decisions.

An additional 10 copies of this letter are enclosed for the Board's further use and distribution.

Please time stamp the enclosed extra copy of this letter and return it to me in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John K. Enright', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

John K. Enright

cc Barry J. Schoch, Pennsylvania Secretary of Transportation  
Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission